

SENATOR BUTLER'S SPEECH AT CLINTON.

A Magnificent Rally of the Populists of
Sampson.

The Democratic Method of Stuffing Ballot-Boxes and Stealing
Elections in the East

THE LANDSLIDE STILL CONTINUES

MR. D. J. LEWIS, A PROMINENT AND BRAINY CITIZEN, LEAVES THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

For THE CAUCASIAN.

WHITEVILLE, N. C., Oct. 18, 1894.

Yesterday was a red letter day for the Populist party of old Columbus. The Hon. D. J. Lewis, one of the most prominent lawyers of this town, publicly announced that he had severed his connection with the Democratic party and had joined the Populist Party. It produced a great sensation, and sent consternation into the ranks of the Democratic party.

Mr. Lewis made a splendid speech, brimful of facts for the consideration of the people.

In the closing of his address he introduced Senator Butler to the immense crowd that filled the court house.

Senator Butler made a masterful speech in behalf of the people, and against gold and monopoly. His arraignment of the Democratic party for selling out the people to the railroad corporations of the State were unanswerable, and showed that their hypocritical cry of "nigger" domination was for the purpose of covering up their tracks and to divert their attention from the main issues affecting their interests. He certainly put a sticking strengthening plaster on every Populist who heard him. I wish every Populist and every Democrat and Republican in the county could have heard him. Great good is bound to follow his great speech.

W. H. SELLERS.

(Voices in the audience: Yes they told us all these things.) Yes, they told you all of that and they told you the truth when they told it. Yes, fellow citizens, it did my heart good to see these Democrats who had to try to make you forget it with the cry of "nigger."

Here Senator Butler laid down two propositions, the correctness of which he proceeded to prove. They were as follows:

toled you into voting for Grover Cleveland, converted and to see them telling you the gospel political truth. He said that every Alliance man and every radical held out the right hand to fellow workers and welcomed them to their side as political volunteers, as new recruits in the tremendous battle the people were making against the combined forces of monopoly and capitalism. He said that the Populists did not stop to question their sincerity or to quarrel or to complain with them because they did not stand for all the faith—for all the fundamental principles of good government that they had followed since Jackson. "We were so glad to see them get partly on the side of the people that we gave them the right hand of fellowship and bade them go with God speed, and when they told the people that they were following these principles and always would, we applauded and cheered them as if it was true." Again Senator Butler asked why these same men were not here today helping him to preach the gospel of free silver to the people. "Free silver was important in 1896, when cotton was selling for seven cents a pound it was more important today when selling for four. That is the monopoly and trust system that is robbing the people of their property and liberty and prosperity. In 1896 when there were three thousand

These are bold and plain statements, but he proceeded to prove beyond question the truth of both of them and in doing so he addressed his remarks to the honest men of the county, many of whom were present in the audience. The proofs that he used were historical facts that could not be denied.

"My silver Democratic friends," he said, "I will tell you this, that you are to know that I tell you things that have been kept from you by the political bosses and monopoly newspaper of your party in your county and State. I will show you how badly you have been deceived by the politicians, ex-Senators, Clevelandites, goldbugs and railroad attorneys who captured your State Convention are attempting today to arouse your passions and prejudices by the cry of 'goldbugs' and 'trusts'."

"I will tell you, my Democratic friends, that the county of Sampson was here today to hear me. I would go further tomorrow to speak to one thousand honest free silver and Bryan Democrats in every county of the State than I would to every Populist in every county in the State."

History of Two Campaigns.

the next page and what is on it? "Niggers and coons." And the next page? More niggers and more coons. And so on through the book to the end. "Niggers and coons." Nigger, nigger, nigger. (Tremendous applause in the audience). How the mighty have fallen! My countrymen, what a slump. From the high position of the "Niggers and coons" they occupied in 1890 they have today fallen to the lowest depth of political degradation. They have returned to the flesh-pots of Egypt and to the vomit of political infamy. They have become a liability. They have forgotten every principle that they admitted in 1890 was the overshadowing issue of good government, and they have descended to their old by-gone ways of race hatred and demagoguery of race prejudices.

He said that every Clevelandite newspaper is at work publishing litho cartoons appealing to race prejudice and most ignoble race prejudice. He said that the speakers were going from one end of the State to the other crying "nigger" and "coon" and "damned nigger" and "damned coon," and appealing to every prejudice that is base in human nature. He asked: "Did the negro demagogues turn, burn up the greenbacks and turn over the control of the money to the bankers?" No. Did the negro organize the monopolies and trusts that are bleeding both white and black man, every merchant, every farmer, every laborer who works for an honest living? No. Then why are not those

Senator Butler now began to recite some political history beginning with the campaign of 1896. He said that when the Democratic bosses met in St. Louis to plan a race riot or to prevent the fifty thousand or more of the honest silver Democrats in this State from supporting the Democratic Party and saving the Peoples Party what they belong to—that when they met in convention, the Democratic bosses decided that the honest silver men in the party they must adopt the Peoples Party platform or a large part of it, and put up an acceptable candidate for President and did the Peoples Party do? He said that while every Populist in this county would have been glad to support them by their action they had prevented the Peoples Party from doubling and trebling its votes in that campaign, yet they were not so stupid at the same time, if the Democratic party leaders were sincere and would live up to their professions, that it made up its mind to support the Populist and be defeated, and for a genuine Jeffersonian Democrat to be elected President. He said that every Populist realized that that could be done if the Peoples Party would rise to the supreme height of patriotism and love of country and nominate for President their candidate as our candidate and support him at the polls to a man. He said that every Populist had nominated your candidate as their candidate, and called upon every Populist and every true silver man in every party to support him as our candidate for President. He said: "I declare to you to-day that in the history of politics of the world there has never been such a moral and political failure as this. An example of selfishness and non-patriotism and lofty patriotism was exhibited by the Peoples Party that that occasion.

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members who had professed to regene-
racy in 1896) if they were honest
in 1896, today standing up and help-
ing me to condemn and denounce the
National Chairman of the Populist
party that have demoralized your silver,
warned your greenbacks, and fastened
the grip of these infamous mono-
polyes and trusts upon your necks?

A Cause for the Effect.

Fellow citizens, there is reason for
their sudden flip. Nothing happens
in this world by chance or accident.
There is a cause behind every effect.
My mission here today is to tell you
the cause of this sudden flip. May
these men suddenly forget all the
doctrines they taught you in 1896, and
today strain every nerve and muscle

Here Senator Butler referred to his
efforts as National Chairman of the
Peoples Party and the efforts of the
National Chairman of the Populist
party to effect co-operation on the
electoral tickets of the several States
between Democrats and Populists,
and the efforts of the latter refer-
ring to this State be called attention to
to the fact that the Peoples Party
Committee of which he was at that
time chairman, went to the Demo-
cratic State Executive Committee, and
said that if it was patriotic and
right for the Peoples Party and
the Democratic Party to join
with the National Chairman, Bryan
President, that it was right and
patriotic and equally necessary to
join hands in electing nine free silver

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public speech he ever made in the county when he showed that the politicians of the two old parties for thirty years had conspired to keep the people in each campaign hiding the real and vital issues and attempting to work up the people and divide them on two local and side issues, namely: the tariff and the negro. He called their attention to the arguments which he used then to show that the striking down of silver and burning up of the greenbacks which destroyed half of the people's money while population and business were increasing, and the national bank-

POLITICAL HISTORY.

Senator Butler Speaks to a Large and Enthusiastic Audience—He Advocates the Principles of the Peoples Party—Shows That the Fight of the Present Campaign by the Democrats is to Kill the Peoples Party in Order to get it out of the way as the Most Powerful Factor in Great Reform Movement—That the way to Secure Free Silver and Other Reforms of the Chicago and Peoples Party Platforms is to Kill the Influence of the Men Controlling the Democratic Party.

CLINTON, N. C., Oct. 22, 1898.

Senator Butler spoke here to-day to one of the biggest crowds ever assembled at any political meeting in Sampson county. The court house square was crowded with the best and most substantial element of the county, and the welcome extended to the speaker was certainly a very flattering one. The programme as first arranged was for the speaking to take place in the court house, but the crowd was so much too large for the court house to accommodate, that notwithstanding the day was cold and windy, Senator Butler had to speak in the open.

The introductory speech was made by Hon. R. M. Crumpler, one of Sampson's representatives in the last legislature and who, on account of his splendid record on the side of the people, will be sent again by the people of Sampson to represent them in the next.

Senator Butler spoke for over three hours and a half, nearly four hours, and during the entire time held the delighted and undivided attention of every man in the large audience. The entire meeting was a vote winner for Populism, and struck terror to the few Democrats present (there were very few of them in all of Sampson), who, like their brother Democrats in other counties had been indulging in the vain imagining that "populists were returning to the Democratic party. Sampson will this year roll up a bigger majority for the "populist ticket than it has ever cast before.

Our correspondent was present and a complete stenographic report of the speech was taken, but an account of its length it is impossible to publish only a partial report, which, of course, cannot do the speech justice. Over two hours and a half were consumed in discussing the reform issues, and then apologizing to the audience for having to descend to the low plane of campaign which the Democratic speakers and press were making he began to show the hypocrisy of the Democratic negro campaign. He laid down two propositions, which he proved by political history of the two campaigns: 1st. That the men controlling the policy of the Democratic party to-day were not against gold and monopoly in 1896, and are against it now. 2d. That they are not afraid of negro domination when they refused to accept the offer of the Populist Party to aid in winning a victory for free silver and other reforms, and that they are not afraid of it now. In proving this he addressed himself to the honest free silver Democrats. Addressing himself to the Populists he declared that one of the chief aims of the Democratic party in making the kind of campaign it is this year was to destroy the Peoples Party. That the Peoples Party forced the old Cleveland leaders in order to hold their honest rank and remain in the Democratic party to accept the Peoples Party doctrine of free silver in 1896, which in previous campaigns they had ridiculed. That these same Democratic leaders knew that while the Peoples Party lived they would have to continue to advocate these reforms or lose control of the party votes. Hence their desire to sidetrack these reforms which are more essential in 1898 than they were in 1896 in order to hide their own hypocrisy, and, as if possible, to kill the Peoples Party, which is the only obstacle in the way of the consummation of their real purpose. The following is a synopsis of the speech:

Senator Butler began by thanking Mr. Crump for the kind and flattering introduction and for the cheering for the hearty and enthusiastic greeting which they gave him. He referred to the fact that they had known each other on and off through his public career but from his boyhood days up through his school and manhood days as an individual, therefore was as stranger to them and they were as strangers to him. He said they were strangers to the doctrines and principles he would discuss, for he came to them today to preach no new doctrine, but to denounce the same evils, to discuss the same reform measures, and to advocate the same principles that he had presented to them in the first public speech that he ever made in the country eight years ago.

He then proceeded to briefly review the arguments used in the first

of laws which had turned over the control of the remainder of the money into the hands of private individuals and monopolies. He said he laws which had turned over the control of the other two great instruments of commerce: transportation and the transmission of intelligence, which had created the three mammoth trusts, viz: the trust on money, the trust on transportation, and the trust on intelligence,—that these laws were the causes for the formation of every other trust and monopoly in the country. He then called the attention of the audience to the facts which he had stated before, and said that the silver was not restored by free coinage, and their greenback money was not restored, the national banking set wiped out, and the control and direction of the other instruments of commerce were not taken from the people, and that the silver was returned to the control of the people, where under the Constitution they belonged, that money would get scarcer, the price of cotton and all other products would fall lower, times would get harder, and that the people would have to stand spring up each day to control every branch of industry in the country and thereby lay tribute upon seventy millions of people to make a few men millionaires. That these few men would grow into millions by the time they were dead, and that created wealth and making them poorer. That these few men, clothed with these special privileges, would become more powerful than the government itself; that with their power and their wealth drawn from the people, they would control the newspapers, corrupt and manipulate politics, control State Legislatures and dominate and control Congress itself. He called their attention to the fact that as long as these evil laws existed, the people would be poorer, no matter whether they had high tariff or low tariff. That they would grow poorer, negro or no negro.

the Democratic Leaders Saw It Then.

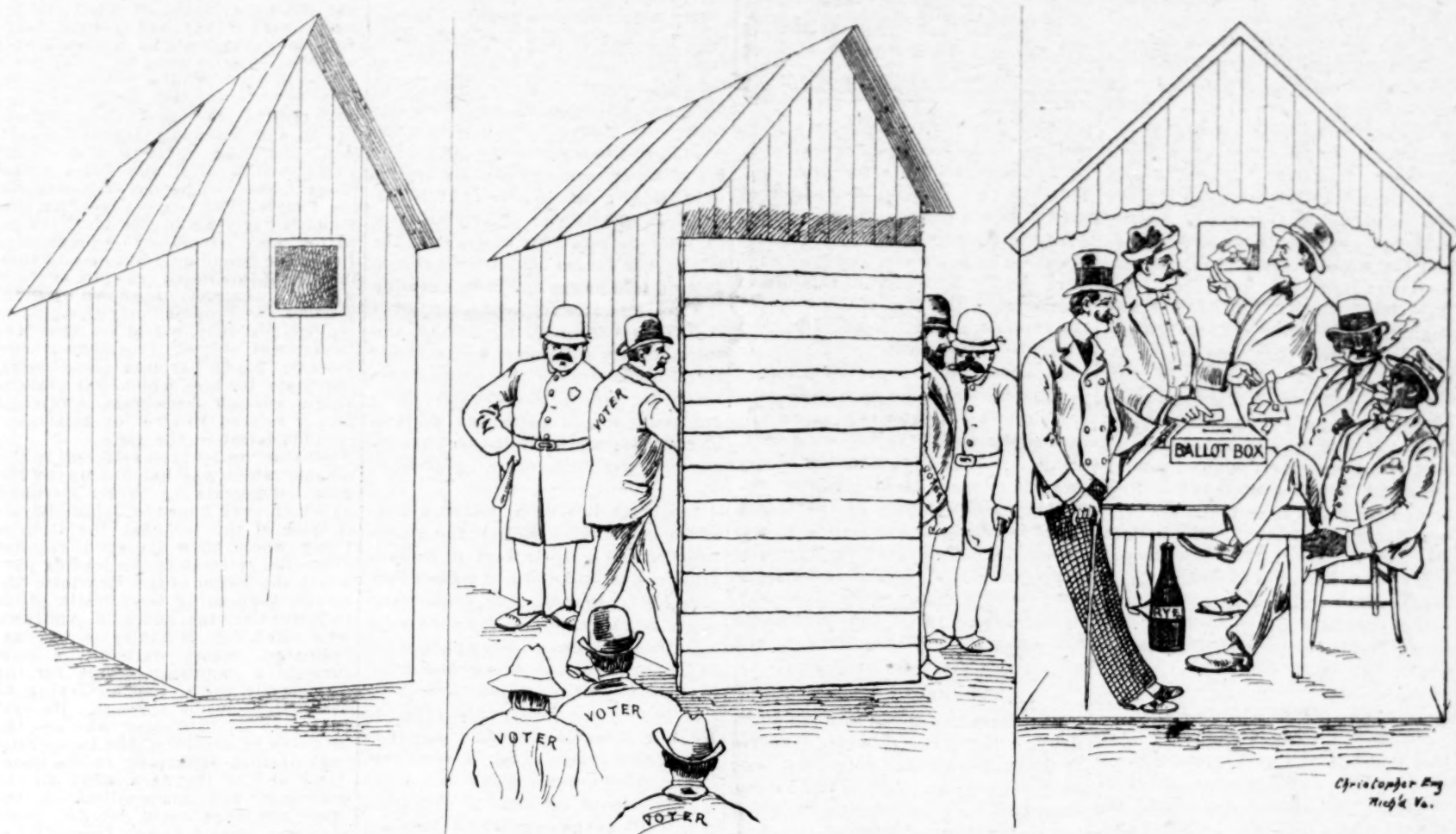
He next proceeded to call the attention of his audience to the fact that when he first made these remarks the false political facts in 1890 and in the campaign of 1892, and also in the campaign of 1894, that every Democratic speaker and every Democratic newspaper in North Carolina denounced the political demagogues to the political misleaders of the people. That at that time the Democratic newspapers ridiculed the free silver and referred to him as a "free trunk," said in reply to his speeches that he was a political heresy. He retorted to what different Democratic daily newspapers said and also reminded the audience of what speakers like Aycock, Glenn and others had said in reply to his speeches in 1892, and to what they further said in reply to the same arguments used by Populist speakers and newspapers in 1894.

After recounting all these matters in detail, he then was remembered by every voter in the audience and attested to by the words of approval from hundreds of the listeners, he asked: "What happened two years ago in the campaign of 1896? Did you not see that the Democratic newspapers who had denounced, abused and ridiculed everything that I and the Alliance and Populist speakers told in 1890, 1892, and 1894, relate to you the same thing in 1896? Did you not see that the Alliance and Populist speakers said in 1890, '92 and '94 was true? They at only admitted that it was true, but they attempted to make the people believe that they said any other thing, and it was true and had always stood for these principles. In this campaign of two years ago the Democratic newspapers tried to overmatch and outdo the Populist papers in their invective against the trusts and monopolies and combines, and in their advocacy of silver, the abolishment of national banks, and the restoration to the people of equal rights and privileges, which could only be accomplished by the destruction of the trusts and the control of all the instruments of commerce which are natural monopolies."

He asked the audience if they did not remember that speakers like Lenn and Aycock came before them two years ago and not only admitted their dishonesty but also said that he had said in the last three campaigns but stood upon the pump-and-primed to make louder and stronger professions for free silver and against sound money than any other Democratic or populist speaker had made. "They came before you on a new political platform," he said, "one that the democratic party had not declared until since the days of Thomas Jefferson." He said that they were therefore you standing on a platform which they had stolen from the Peoples Party—a platform containing many of the same principles which we had used and ridiculed in 1890, 1892 and 1894."

Had That the Democrats Stole the Peoples Party Platform.

He said that the Democratic party at its National Convention of 1896, realizing that the great honest masses



This represents "Bull pen" before railing or wall is put up. See the little square hole that the ballots are to be stuck in at.

This shows the outside of "Bull pen" on the day of election. The wall has been put [up close to the "Bull pen," so that only one voter can squeeze through at a time. He does not know what becomes of his ballot after he hands it in.

This shows the inside of "Bull Pen" from the back end. These two colored men have been appointed poll-holders by the Commissioners, there because they could not read or because they were "Democratic niggers." See the vote dealer taking a Peoples Party vote in at the window with one hand, while he takes a Democratic vote from his side pocket. The Democratic vote goes into the box.

honest rank and file of the Democratic party, as Vance had advised them to do (for, said he, "Vance advised you that when the goldbugs and monopolists of the Democratic party and every honest Democrat to walk out of the party and leave nothing behind a smell of brimstone and Wall Street in their knickerbockers, and come to the rescue of the Democrats were about to take Vance's advice and line up with the Peoples Party, and so they met in the National Convention and instead of electing me they elected a man who attempted to fool the people with for forty years, they proceeded to steal and adopt as their own over half of the Peoples Party platform, that is, they stole the Peoples Party over into the ranks of the Peoples Party and stole their candidate for president. He said that he did not blame them for stealing their candidate, but that they were guilty of stealing the Peoples Party, because they did not have a man in their party who was as good as good; that he did not blame them for stealing a large part of the Peoples Party platform and adopting it as their own, but that he did not blame them like the Dutchman was by the

man who stole his Bible: glad that he did it, because he hoped it would cure the disease. He said he had no complaint to make against the Democrats for stealing the Populist platform, and he said that he had not noticed it, and like the Dutchman, hoped it would keep them from ever stealing anything else, even votes and ballot boxes. He said that the only thing he had to be afraid of was that they now was that they were on all the platform and have the courage and manhood to live up to it after they had stolen it. He said that when they had stolen it, he said that they had stolen it from the Peasants Party in 1896, they went before the people of the State and nation making louder professions for free silver and against monopoly than ever they had made before. He said that it was done. He asked the audience if Glenn and Aycock and other Democratic speakers had not come before them; and not only admitted every thing that he had said, but had repeated previous campaigns when they denied it, but had tried to convince the audience that they had always been for silver and against monopoly; and he said that he had seen the same speaker in 1890 that he had seen in their six years before. [Voices all

over the audience: Yes, yes, the had the genuine Butler ring! The speaker then paused for a moment and surveyed his audience aside. "Where are those speakers to-day? If they are here, let me know why are they not here to-day, helping to advocate the same principles now? Did these Democratic speakers not tell you two years ago that hard times were caused by the demonization of the greenback? Did they not tell you that the control of your money had been turned over by Congress into the hands of a lot of money sharks and that the nation was in danger that prosperity would never be restored until you took control of it from the hands of the money changers and restored free silver? Did they not tell you that increased the amount of money each year with the increase of population and business? Did they not tell you that this evil financial legislation had caused cotton to fall from twenty cents a pound to seven cents a pound? Did they not tell you that there had grown up monopolies and trusts as a result of such legislation until there were three thousand of them at that time? Did they not tell you that there were no industries in the country and sy-

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"MORE NIGGER OUTRAGES."

A Democratic Sheriff in Wake County Deputizes a Negro---"A Big, Burly Black Nigger"---to Arrest a White Woman.

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to the State of North Carolina in the sum of Twenty Dollars, jointly and severally, to be void if the said James Daniel shall make ~~his~~ ^{his} personal appearance at the next term of the Superior Court to be held for the County of Wake, at the Court-house in Raleigh, on the Monday March 23rd 1896, to answer an indictment for Dr & C, and not depart the same without leave.

Taken and subscribed before me, this 29th day of June 1896

Myr. E. J. ... Sheriff.
Ben ... Dep. Sheriff.

James Daniel (SEAL)
Robert M. Horton (SEAL)

(SEAL)

County deputege Wm. W. ...
 ... Special Officer
 ... execute this Captas-
 ... 26th June 1896

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above is a photograph of a capias issued by Sheriff M. W. Page (Democrat) deputizing William Williams (colored, a big, burly, black negro) Susan Fowler, a white woman, on January 21, 1896. The above shows that the capias was executed and returned on January 23, 1896, by negro Deputy Sheriff. The negro Deputy not only arrested the white woman five miles from town, but made her walk to Raleigh in his custody. It began to rain, and the negro Deputy forced the white woman to go into a negro shanty under arrest till the rain was over. The original now on file in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court in Raleigh, and can be seen by any voter in the State. Mr. Page is now a candidate for Sheriff in this election, and is yelling negro domination at the top of his voice.

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THE WAY SATAN QUOTES SCRIPTURE.

Every Democratic newspaper and Democratic speaker in the State are quoting what the CAUCASIAN has said about the last legislature betraying the people and being a disgrace to the State. It has been an old trick of Satan's since the beginning of the world to quote scripture—that is, to quote just enough to misrepresent the truth. These Democratic speakers and the newspapers will not give the whole truth, and quote all the CAUCASIAN said about that legislature. Why is it they refuse to do this? Because it would convict the majority of the members of that legislature in being responsible for the disgraceful betrayal of the people by that legislature. The CAUCASIAN specified in what way the legislature betrayed the people and disgraced the State. It gave the voters of the members of different parties, showing not only which parties, but which individuals of each party were responsible.

When the great fight was up before the legislature to stop government by injunction, to check the dangerous aggressions of the Federal Courts, to preserve State rights and uphold the dignity and authority of our State courts, to prevent foreign corporations from removing cases to Federal Courts that ought to be tried in the State Courts, and to investigate the midnight ninety-nine year lease in our State Courts, great monopolists sent their powerful lobbyists to the legislature to defeat justice and betray the people. When that mighty struggle was going on between the rights of the State and the welfare of the individual on one hand and corporate greed and oppression on the other, how did the parties vote? In the House eighteen Republicans voted with the people; twenty-seven Populists voted with the people. How many Democrats voted with the people? (Remember there were many Democrats in that legislature as Populists, and one more.) Only five Democratic members of the legislature could be found to stand up for justice and fight when there millions were at stake and the preservation of the fundamental principles of State sovereignty and good government. When the same battle was waging on the same measures in the Senate, how did the parties vote? Five Republican Senators voted with the people; eighteen Populist Senators voted with the people. How many Democratic Senators voted with the people? Not a single one.

THE CAUCASIAN denoted this as a betrayal of the State in unmeasured terms. It was a base betrayal. The action of the legislature was a disgrace to the State. Why did not the Democratic papers quote what the CAUCASIAN said about the action of the different parties on these important measures?

It was the same way when the important bills were up to reduce freight and passenger rates, to reduce and regulate telegraph, telephone and express charges, and other kindred measures. A majority of the Democrats in each case went against the people and to the side of the corporations. These bills were defeated by one majority in each House and the vote being 55 to 64 in the House and 24 to 25 in the Senate. If these bills had passed it would have been a disgrace to the people of the State of over two million dollars a year. They would have saved to the people more than twice all of the State taxes each year including the school tax. Common justice demanded such a reduction for the railroads, and monopolists would then have made a larger profit than any other individual or business in the State is making.

THE CAUCASIAN published these facts and placed the blame where it belongs. It branded the disgraceful betrayal of the people, and no Democratic paper has ever attempted to deny the facts or to reply to the charges we made.

Yes, the CAUCASIAN repeats that the last legislature disgraced and betrayed the State on many important measures, and it further repeats that in every instance the majority of the Democratic members helped to do the betraying and disgracing of the State.

Hereafter when Democratic speakers read from THE CAUCASIAN, demand that they further read the above facts and reply to them if they can or dare.

SOME POINTED QUESTIONS.
Did not the silver voters of the State cooperate two years ago and carry North Carolina for Bryan and silver by twenty thousand majority? Was that not a white man's majority? Would not a co-operation of the same voters have carried the State by a big majority this year? Would it not have been a white man's majority again this year? Would it not have resulted in electing nine free silver and anti-monopoly Congressmen? Would it not have resulted in electing anti-monopoly legislators, which would have passed many reforms needed to establish justice between the people and the corporations? Would it not have resulted in giving to the people the best white man's government the State ever saw?

Then why did the Democratic State Convention refuse such a proposition which guaranteed such certain and desirable results? There is but one explanation: the Clevelandites captured the convention and they love monopoly more than they fear "nigger." Everybody knows that a Clevelandite is a monopolist and is against Bryan and silver. Everybody knows that a Clevelandite would do anything to help the cause of silver or do anything to relieve the people from

the burdens of monopoly and trust domination. But if these Clevelandites tell the truth when they claim that they are terribly frightened at the thought of negro domination, and that this is now the supreme and overshadowing issue in the State, then why were they not willing to subordinate their views on the gold and monopoly question in order to get a majority of the white people to gether even if they were silver men. This would have made a certain victory for the best white man's government that the State ever saw.

Their conduct is strange, but there is an explanation for it. The railroad corporations are "the nigger in the woodpile" in this campaign. They are the overshadowing issue in the background. They are paying their hired attorneys to yell "nigger" to call attention from this fact.

TWO VOTERS CONFESS.

Recently a Populist farmer called over to see his brother Populist on a neighboring farm.

The following conversation took place:

First Farmer.—Matthew, I heard yesterday that you had said that you might not go to the polls this year. What is the matter?

Second Farmer.—Well, John, you know I am a peaceable man. I believe every man ought to have the right to think as he pleases and vote as he pleases. But I do not want to get in any trouble.

First Farmer.—What do you mean, Matthew, I don't understand you?

Second Farmer.—Well, John, you know the Democratic bosses have been sending slips of paper through the mail with skulls and cross-bones on them and making threats. They boast that they will carry this precinct one way if they cannot carry it another. They are trying to frighten every peaceable citizen and make him think there will be trouble on election day and it's my candid opinion that they intend to try to get up a riot on the day of election if they cannot carry it any other way.

First Farmer.—Well, Matthew, I have heard all these things too, and I fear there is something in it, but I will tell you their threats have made me more determined to go to the polls and beat them this year than ever before. I have never done more in the past as you know than to go quietly and peacefully to the polls and cast my vote and go home, but this year I intend to not only vote, but I intend to go to the polls early and work from morning till night. They have scared me that much. Yes, I confess I am frightened at the idea of men like Simmons and his machine of railroad attorneys and ballot-box stuffers getting control of North Carolina. Men who will try to bulldoze and frighten voters by exercising peacefully the highest privileges which labor was scarce. As soon as began this the machine Democratic politicians—the Ransom nigger hawks (who for thirty years had sworn on each campaign that the "nigger" was a menace and danger to the State) a once became enraged with "Peg Leg" Williams and tried to run him from the State with shovels and rotten eggs. They went further, they ran to the legislature and begged that body to pass a law prohibiting "Peg Leg" or any one else from taking another negro from the State.

Why did they do this? Because the nigger was their only campaign issue. They wanted the negro here for a scarecrow. They did not want a single nigger to leave here—they wanted more niggers to come. They are perfectly happy when they can yell "nigger." They are supremely happy now. They will try to force a race riot before the election so they can sell out the State to the railroads again.

The railroads are happy when the "nigger" cry can be raised. It keeps the railroads and the men who are betraying and robbing the people from being an issue. The railroads and all the other monopolies are putting up the campaign fund for these Democratic "nigger campaign hawks."

How on these Democratic machine politicians sell the people out to the railroads behind the "nigger" cry or to the people finding it out sooner or later? They can't. The people will find it out, but if they let the Democratic machine, under the direction of Ransom and Simmons get the next legislature they will find it out too late. Why? Because Simmons, the high priest of ballot-box stuffing, will pass an election law by which they can throw out fifty thousand votes in any election. How can the people rebuke traitors if these traitors have the election machinery by which they can throw out as many votes as they want to and keep the election? If Secret Circular Simmons and his crowd of ballot-box stuffers get the legislature, they and the railroads will destroy and rob the people with impunity, for the people will then be powerless to resist them or turn them out.

Let every good citizen realize this danger, and on the 8th day of November crush this band of ballot-box thieves who have already mortgaged the State to the railroads and monopolies for campaign boodle.

A SAMPLE DEMOCRATIC ARGUMENT.
Senator Butler in each speech has made in the State has exposed, called by name, and held up for public condemnation the class of political hypocrites who entered into a conspiracy with the goldbugs and railroad attorneys to run a campaign on race prejudice in order to discredit the financial and monopoly questions and sell out the next legislature to the railroad corporations. He has shown that the men who were the originators of this conspiracy tried to defeat Bryan in the last campaign while pretending to support him.

In his speech at Statesville Senator Butler named the editor of the Statesville Landmark and the editor of the Charlotte Observer as two of these political hypocrites. He showed in detail the cowardly and sneaking way in which they tried to get silver Democrats and Populists mad with each other on the morning of the election by getting Democrats to scratch Populist electors and getting Populists to scratch Democratic electors, which scheme, if it had

Every time the railroad corporations pour a fresh supply of campaign boodle into the campaign hopper, every one of the Democratic "nigger" campaign howlers catch fresh breath and yell "nigger" louder than ever.

INFLAMMATORY AND INCENDIARY SPEECHES.

Every thoughtful and law-abiding citizen of the State must have noticed with sorrow, if not alarm, the kind of speeches that are being made by nearly every Democratic speaker from one end of the State to the other. Not a single speaker discusses issues or appeals to the reason, judgment and sober thought of the public. Their speeches are an appeal to the lower and baser passions of every class of our people, and beyond question on a lower plane than any of the other campaign speeches ever before heard in the State. Their speeches are inflammatory and incendiary to a high degree. Such speeches are calculated to arouse the baser and meaner passions of all classes of people of all parties. It is the highest tribute to the mobhood, common sense and self-possession of the citizens of the State that they have not already precipitated riot and bloodshed.

A lot of political manipulators and managers, whose cause is so bad that they must stoop to such detestable and revolutionary means deserve to be condemned at the ballot-box by the biggest majority ever polled in North Carolina. It is clear that this class of politicians are willing to sacrifice the best interests of the State, destroy peace and order, and even cause bloodshed and riot if thereby they can gain partisan advantage. They are first attempting to intimidate and frighten voters to succeed in their nefarious purpose. The more they attempt to intimidate, the more the voters should get frightened at the danger of such men getting control of the State. If these men had not made a deal with the corporations and monopolists and Clevelandites to betray Bryan and silver it would not have been necessary for them to stoop to such infamous methods. It is the duty of every good citizen, and especially of every true silver Democrat and sincere supporter of Bryan, to help crush out forever such men and such methods.

"PEG LEG" WILLIAMS.
Who is "Peg Leg" Williams? Ask the Democratic nigger campaign howlers, who are now swearing that there is danger that all the negroes of the United States will come to North Carolina and swallow the State.

For the last thirty years the Ransom Democratic machine have tried, ignored and put into the background every reform issue behind the cry of "nigger." Why have they cried "nigger"? Because they have been in co-partnership with every railroad and monopoly in the State to rob and bleed the people.

In 1890 "Peg Leg" Williams and many other seeking laboring campaign to North Carolina and began hiring negroes by the carload and shipping them out of the State to other States where labor was scarce. As soon as began this the machine Democratic politicians—the Ransom nigger hawks (who for thirty years had sworn on each campaign that the "nigger" was a menace and danger to the State) a once became enraged with "Peg Leg" Williams and tried to run him from the State with shovels and rotten eggs. They went further, they ran to the legislature and begged that body to pass a law prohibiting "Peg Leg" or any one else from taking another negro from the State.

Why did they do this? Because the nigger was their only campaign issue. They wanted the negro here for a scarecrow. They did not want a single nigger to leave here—they wanted more niggers to come. They are perfectly happy when they can yell "nigger." They are supremely happy now. They will try to force a race riot before the election so they can sell out the State to the railroads again.

The railroads are happy when the "nigger" cry can be raised. It keeps the railroads and the men who are betraying and robbing the people from being an issue. The railroads and all the other monopolies are putting up the campaign fund for these Democratic "nigger campaign hawks."

How on these Democratic machine politicians sell the people out to the railroads behind the "nigger" cry or to the people finding it out sooner or later? They can't. The people will find it out, but if they let the Democratic machine, under the direction of Ransom and Simmons get the next legislature they will find it out too late. Why? Because Simmons, the high priest of ballot-box stuffing, will pass an election law by which they can throw out fifty thousand votes in any election. How can the people rebuke traitors if these traitors have the election machinery by which they can throw out as many votes as they want to and keep the election? If Secret Circular Simmons and his crowd of ballot-box stuffers get the legislature, they and the railroads will destroy and rob the people with impunity, for the people will then be powerless to resist them or turn them out.

Let every good citizen realize this danger, and on the 8th day of November crush this band of ballot-box thieves who have already mortgaged the State to the railroads and monopolies for campaign boodle.

A SAMPLE DEMOCRATIC ARGUMENT.
Senator Butler in each speech has made in the State has exposed, called by name, and held up for public condemnation the class of political hypocrites who entered into a conspiracy with the goldbugs and railroad attorneys to run a campaign on race prejudice in order to discredit the financial and monopoly questions and sell out the next legislature to the railroad corporations. He has shown that the men who were the originators of this conspiracy tried to defeat Bryan in the last campaign while pretending to support him.

In his speech at Statesville Senator Butler named the editor of the Statesville Landmark and the editor of the Charlotte Observer as two of these political hypocrites. He showed in detail the cowardly and sneaking way in which they tried to get silver Democrats and Populists mad with each other on the morning of the election by getting Democrats to scratch Populist electors and getting Populists to scratch Democratic electors, which scheme, if it had

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He charged the editor of the Landmark to deny then, or afterwards, in his paper a single statement or charge he had made. Did the Landmark attempt to reply to this grave charge in positive statements of facts? Did the editor of the Landmark deny a single specification? No. But in the next issue of his paper he abused Senator Butler with low billingsgate, and closed his quarter of a column trade of abuse with the following statement: "Butler is an infernal scoundrel and a Giteau fast devil."

This is a fair sample of the Democratic arguments. The fact is it was impossible for the goldbug hypocrite to produce any argument in reply, or deny a single charge made. Such men, when exposed, resort to such methods as the exposure. Abuse, slander and billingsgate are their only reply.

If the Ransomites and railroad attorneys get the next legislature of course they can defraude voters by law; they can pass an election law to disfranchise men by keeping them from the registration books under technicalities; they can defraud men by throwing out their votes and stuffing ballot boxes and doctoring false returns, even if they allow every man to go through the force of sticking his vote in the box.

We notice that Simmons, the High Priest of ballot-box stuffers, is denying that the Democrats intend to do this if they get the legislature. There is no use however, for them to deny it. Everybody knows they intend to do it if they get a chance. Indeed, they are doing worse than that now. They are trying to defraud voters now by lawbreakers and revolutionists who do not hesitate to distribute money to get the power to do it by legal means. Under the present corrupt law Simmons and his brigade of ballot-box stuffers and perjurers know that they cannot count on themselves if they have done in the past. They know that a majority of the voters are against them; they know that if these voters ever get in the boxes that they are sure to be counted and their political doom sealed. This is why they have resorted to revolutionary methods to try to intimidate voters and stir up race riots. Their only hope is to frighten voters from registration or to drive voters away from the polls on election day, and where they fail in this to deliberately encourage riots so as to break up the election. These men are the only anarchists that have ever disgraced North Carolina. They are attempting by force and revolution to deprive citizens of the political liberty guaranteed to them by the Constitution and to overthrow a Republican form of government. These men are the most dangerous element to the peace and order and welfare of the State. If they attempt such methods to get in power, to what extremes will they not go if unfortunately they should get in power. The fact that they attempt such methods to intimidate voters should frighten every voter at the danger of their getting in. Their conduct should cause every free man to solidly register a vow that, as he loves his family and his State, he will go to the polls on election day and see that the political rights of citizens are respected and that the voters of the State have a free opportunity to cast their ballot and condemn these revolutionists and ballot-box stuffers.

It is said that at the Democratic State Convention Simmons, the High Priest of ballot-box stuffers, and his henchmen and lieutenants in vote stealing and perjury, made a powerful appeal to every delegate who was in favor of co-operation against gold and monopoly as urged by Bryan. It is said that Simmons begged them to let him make one more desperate effort to crush the Peoples Party and carry the State, which he believed he could do with the help of the railroads behind the cry of "nigger." It is said that Simmons and his ballot-box stuffing lieutenants promised each delegate that if he failed in this last desperate effort he would give up the negro and ballot-box stuffing issue and submit to co-operation in 1900. It is reported that there were a few true silver men in the convention who protested against the necessity of this kind of campaign even for once, by showing that white supremacy was absolutely guaranteed by a co-operation of the silver voters who supported Bryan in 1896. That such a victory could be won and still not be under any obligations to the railroads and Clevelandites in doing it. The number of goldbugs and railroad attorneys in the convention, however, were too numerous for such logic and patriotism to prevail.

The ballot-box stuffers are making a last desperate effort to get into power again on the nigger cry. If they get in they will stir in by corrupting the ballot-box—by stealing and by perjury.

The Democratic negro calamity howling press and speakers are every day basely slandering the State of North Carolina. Men who love their State and who are fit to rule, do not advertise to the world things to the discredit of the State, even if they were true; and none but dangerous men would manufacture out of the whole cloth or magnify slanders on their State for partisan advantage. But what further can be expected of men who deliberately conspire to divide the silver forces in North Carolina in order that they may defeat silver and while professing to be fit. What better could be expected of men who had made a trade with the goldbug railroad corporations of the State to yell "nigger" in order that they might bring the State into the lands of the railroad. In return for their campaign boodle and other benefits to themselves.

The Democratic machine, seeing that the people are surfeited with their continual cry of negro domination and disgusted at the low level upon which they have forced this campaign, and that they will be overwhelmingly defeated at the polls, have begun a new tack, and are now trying to intimidate the friends of North Carolina who do not believe with them in order to scare them away from the polls. The danger of such a set of men getting the power in North Carolina is a greater cause for fear than all of their efforts at bluff, bulldozing and intimidation, and every honest free man who believes in the economic reforms for which the Peoples Party contends, should go to the polls on election day and work harder than he ever worked before, to prevent it.

Last week Rev. J. L. Burns, a one-armed confederate soldier and a minister of the gospel, went to Robinson in Martin county, to make a Peoples Party speech. The Democratic negro calamity howlers did not ask for a division of time, or attempt to reply to his arguments, as decent and sensible men would have done in their cause. They were just. Their only reply to Mr. Burns, arguments was a shower of Democratic rotten eggs. A party that has no other argument and which depends on such methods as is rotten politically as the eggs which they use for argument, and as units to manage the affairs of North Carolina. A party that is controlled by such motives and which stoops to such contemptible and infamous depths is dangerous to the welfare and liberty of the people of the State. Let every good citizen who does not approve of such methods join hands and crush forever, politically, on the 8th day of November the managers of this rotten-egg campaign.

When a Democratic machine speaker talks he begins with "nigger," "Peg Leg" Williams and "nigger." The Clevelandites and railroad attorneys who betrayed Bryan and silver have no other issue but "nigger." When they speak they are bound to talk "nigger." When a Populist speaks they cannot reply to his speech they resort to rotten eggs. The conduct of these Clevelandites and attorneys is a burning shame and disgrace to the State. There is more than fifty thousand majority of the voters of North Carolina who condemn their course and they will speak with the ballot on the 8th day of November.

The Democratic speakers are yelling "nigger" to keep the people from knowing where they stand on the money and railroad and disfranchisement question. A vote for this "Democratic negro calamity howling machine" is a vote to turn the next legislature over to the railroads and monopolies and to let Secret Circular Simmons put up his vote-stealing billingsgate and disfranchisement voters. Further, it is a vote against Bryan and silver. This Simmons and Ransom machine and the railroads will knife and fight Bryan and silver in 1900. Let every true friend of Bryan and silver take warning.

The expenses of the speakers that the Democratic machine has on the stump is over a thousand dollars a week. The other expenses of this Democratic negro calamity howling campaign, including the corruption fund sent out to the county and local heelers, must run up to the enormous sum of five to ten thousand dollars a week. There is every indication that the goldbug railroads who tried to defeat Bryan and carried the State for McKinley, are putting up this money.

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Senator Butler's Speech at Clinton.

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and anti-monopoly Congressmen in this State to go to Washington and stand before the Democratic State Convention. That the Peoples Party Committee further said to the Democratic State Committee that it was equally as necessary to join in electing an anti-monopoly legislature in this State to go to Raleigh and enact the same reforms in the State that they could carry the State by themselves. That the Democratic State Committee refused to do this and slapped the Peoples Party in the face. That they said in substance that they could elect their own Congressmen and their own State ticket and their own legislature, and that if they could not they were willing to see the goldbugs and monopolists capture the State. He asked if it was not an evidence of their insincerity, even if they had thought they could carry the State by themselves, to take the chances when by co-operation with the Peoples Party in the State they could have made the election of nine free silver Congressmen and an anti-monopoly legislature certain. Here he declared that these Democratic politicians no doubt thought that the wheeler-dealers of the Peoples Party would rise up in indignation and refuse to support Mr. Hartman, President of the Surgical Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, who counsel and prescribe for fifty thousand women this year free of charge. Every suffering woman should write for special question blank for women, and have Dr. Hartman's book, "Health and Beauty." All druggists sell Peruna.

Senator Butler then referred to the scheme hatched up by the goldbugs and Clevelandites in North Carolina by which they hoped to defeat Bryan in spite of the fact that the Peoples Party would carry the State. He referred to the editor of the Charlotte Observer, the leading Democratic editor in North Carolina, and A. B. Andrews, who voted for the goldbugs in the campaign, whose railroad is now turning campaign funds for the goldbugs. He said that he would carry this same money through the "men of this class who are the men now in control of the Democratic machine" attempted to do under cover and in the dark what all the goldbugs and monopolists in the State combined could not do. Their plan, he said, to get Democrats at every poll to vote for the goldbugs in the election to scratch the Populist electors from the electoral ticket. That instructions went out to this effect: that the Democrats should carry a straight Democratic ticket with six Democratic electors on it without the Populist electors, and in the same way to scratch the Populist electors out of the ticket. That he called a straight Populist electoral ticket with five Populist electors on it with the Democrats. That the Democrats should scratch off the Populist electors or vote the ticket with only the Democratic electors on it. That he called the Democrats to do this the effect would have been to defeat the five Populist electors on the joint electoral ticket and to scratch the Democrats out of the electoral college. He stated that their purpose was deeper than this: That they hoped that when they had scratched the Democrats out of the electoral college, the electors or voters only for the Democratic electors, that the Populists would get mad and begin to scratch Democrats out of the ticket. That he hoped enough votes could be scratched from both sides it would insure the defeat of the whole of the Bryan electoral ticket and the Democrats would have succeeded had not the Populist State and National Committee discovered it in time to send out a circular to the voters of the State telling them not to scratch but to vote the ticket straight.

Senator Butler said that he referred to the campaign of 1896, because it was the same men who tried to defeat Bryan in the State and to elect McKinley. He stated the plan for co-operation between the Democrats and silver and anti-monopoly in this campaign. He then took up the present campaign and proceeded to give some history of the campaign. He said that the efforts of the chairman of the three National Committees to secure a co-operation of the silver forces of 1900, which he had seen in the plan of the campaign, was a failure. He said that last spring Senator Jones, the Chairman of the National Democratic Committee, having received information that the Democrats planned in every State by the crowd above referred to prevent a co-operation of the silver forces in this campaign, he decided to go to the State to elect a free silver President in 1900 was for the free silver men to control the machinery of the party in every State. He said that he had seen three silver parties to co-operate in the coming election so that they might co-operate in the Presidential election of 1900. He said that he had seen three silver parties to co-operate in the coming election so that they might co-operate in the Presidential election of 1900. He said that he had seen three silver parties to co-operate in the coming election so that they might co-operate in the Presidential election of 1900.

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would pretend to be for silver, would go to conventions and agree to the passage of silver resolutions, but that they would do everything in their power to prevent such action being taken as would win a victory for silver and for the people. Referring to the fact that the Democrats had not been published for thirty years such an important political document as this letter of Mr. Bryan's, he said that he had seen it in one of the grand movements ever inaugurated by the people. He then asked the Populists to support him in his fight against the Democratic paper of the county. Several said no. That that paper did not publish it. Senator Butler then said without publishing it he would publish it. That that paper did not publish it. Senator Butler then said without publishing it he would publish it. That that paper did not publish it.

He then showed that there could be no one reason why these papers refused to publish Mr. Bryan's letter, and that was that they were afraid for the honest rank and file of the party in the State to read the letter. They knew that the honest rank and file would read the letter and would go to the county conventions and smash the county rings of Clevelandites, go to the State Convention and overthrow the Ransom machine and their action in 1896 in refusing the plan of co-operation which would have guaranteed a victory for Bryan and silver. He said that the men controlling the policy of the Democratic party in this State were the Clevelandites and his action in 1896 in refusing the plan of co-operation which would have guaranteed a victory for Bryan and silver. He said that the men controlling the policy of the Democratic party in this State were the Clevelandites and his action in 1896 in refusing the plan of co-operation which would have guaranteed a victory for Bryan and silver.

Senator Butler then proceeded to prove the correctness of his other statement that they were not even sincere in their fear of the honest rank and file of the party. He said that he had seen a letter from a man who said that he was a Democrat and that he was afraid of the honest rank and file of the party. He said that he had seen a letter from a man who said that he was a Democrat and that he was afraid of the honest rank and file of the party. He said that he had seen a letter from a man who said that he was a Democrat and that he was afraid of the honest rank and file of the party.

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